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USE OF COPOLYMERS OF CARBOXYLIC ACIDS AND LONG-CHAIN

COMPOUNDS WITH ISOLATED C-C MULTIPLE BONDS AS

THICKENERS OR DISPERSANTS

Honorable Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.143

Sir:

For:

This is a request for reconsideration of the restriction requirement as originally made in the Office action mailed March 21, 2007, and as clarified in the Office action mailed July 27, 2007. As required by 37 C.F.R. §1.143, applicants have made a provisional election.

This provisional election is submitted with traverse. Applicants request that the examiner reconsider and withdraw the requirement. Please reconsider the requirement for restriction in light of the remarks presented in this paper.

It is respectfully requested that a one month extension of time be granted in this case. The respective \$120.00 fee is paid by credit card (Form PTO-2038 enclosed). Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including any shortage in Extension of Time fees, to Deposit Account 14.1437. Please credit any excess fees to such account.

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